

# The Daily News.

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ITALY FREE.

BY DAVID PLEMER.

Italia! Italia! Italia! is free!  
From the base of the Alps to the shores of the sea;  
The dream of her poets, the hope of her sages,  
That were written and sung in the fire of their pages,  
As it kindled and flared on the night of the ages,  
Are fulfilled, as her prophets declared they should be.

The arrogant Tiber no longer remains  
To fatten and thrive on the shores of the plains;  
No bold barbarian hordes shall invade her,  
No fold barbarians' attempt to degrade her;  
Forever is broken the power that betrayed her  
To the insolent, cruel, tyrannic Crusader,  
Who slaughtered her people and bound her with chains.

The sword of the Guelph and the force of the Ghibelline  
All red with her blood no more again shall be seen;  
No more shall she waver in civil commotion,  
Nor rock with her folds, like the storm-torn ocean;  
But the scroll of her glory shall name, with devotion  
Her King and her statesmen, her heroes between;

Whose wisdom and valor the Hapsburg expelled  
From the soil that the hand of his tyranny held;  
Gave back to Venice her freedom and glory,  
Which once were the portion of Rome and of story,  
Ere the Austrian's sword, all-devouring and gory,  
Drenched in blood her fair fields and her liberties knelled.

Italia shall honor Emmanuel, her King;  
To the brave Garibaldi, her tribute shall bring;  
Chivalry, her chief, she gushes with her blessing,  
Riscio reward with her love and her crown;  
While her bards, the fresh fires of young freedom pos-  
sessing,  
The praise of her live and dead heroes shall sing.

Her statesmen, her army and brave volunteers  
Have reclaimed her fair land from oppression and tears;  
Dispel the night of its dire desolation,  
Removed the scourge of grim war's devastation,  
Restored to its ancient renown is the nation,  
To live and move on with the rest of the years.

Her patriots and heroes of yore—  
Mazzini and Dante, and all—shall look down  
From their places celestial, with rapture beholding  
Their country's new life in its grand unfolding,  
As it takes on the forms of sweet Liberty's moulding,  
And they see the last star gleam in Italy's crown.

Her skies shall glow brightly, her birds sing with glee,  
Her fields bloom in beauty, and all shall be free;  
Her people no longer with sadness and sighing,  
Shall mourn for their land, but with freedom undying,  
In the joy of their triumph, shall ever be crying,  
Italia! Italia! Italia! is free!

From the base of the Alps to the shores of the sea!  
Frederick I., Emperor of Germany, surnamed Bar-  
barossa, invaded Italy in the twelfth century, desolating her  
soil and subjugating her people.  
[The Pope crowned Frederick Barbarossa without the consent  
of the Senate and Roman people, causing mutiny and much bloodshed.—N. Y. Evening Post.]

## SPOONEY BUTLER ON THE STUMP.

How he was Received by the Gothamites.

A Radical congressional ratification meeting  
was held in the City Hall Park Saturday, at which  
General Hiram Walbridge presided. A large  
crowd collected, drawn together mainly by the  
fact that General Butler was advertised to speak.

The scene of confusion that ensued the moment  
the Beas showed himself on the stand, was in-  
describable. Cries of "Spoons," "Put him out,"  
"How are you, cockney?" "We don't want to hear  
you," mingled with groans and hisses which com-  
pletely drowned the cheers of the friends of the  
meeting, came from all sides, but more especially  
from the steps of the City Hall. The police, under  
Captain Blackett, used almost superhuman ef-  
forts to restore order, but notwithstanding some  
dozen or twenty arrests were made the uproar  
still continued. Finally, after waiting quietly for  
the noise to subside, the General attempted to  
make himself heard by those who were in close  
proximity to the platform. He began by saying:

"Yellow Citizens—The issue is now before us,  
whether the method (Cries of "Spoons," "Spoons")  
—who by force and fraud sought to overthrow  
the country shall rule it—(Hisses and groans and  
so much confusion that Butler stopped speaking).  
Billy Wilson, of the first ward—Never mind  
them, General, they will be taken care of. There  
will be some broken heads here in a few mo-  
ments."

Voice on the platform, encouraging the speaker.  
—Go on, General. This is only copperheads.  
(Groans, and cries of "Put him out.")  
General Butler—I said the issue before us was  
whether the men who by force and fraud sought  
to overthrow the country shall control its glorious  
 destiny. (Groans, and three cheers for John T.  
Hoffman, which were followed by three cheers for  
"Ben Butler" from around the platform.)

General Butler (coolly picking his teeth with a  
golden tooth pick, and looking quite complacently  
upon the crowd.) Very well, you have taken  
your time and I will take mine.—(Cries of good,  
good.)

A voice—"Three cheers for Gov. Fenton," re-  
sponded to by mingled cheers and groans.  
HE IS STRUCK WITH AN APPLA.

General Butler—When this war was closed,  
(cries of "Spoons," "Spoons") when the rebel in the  
South had surrendered—  
At this juncture, some one in the crowd threw  
an apple at the speaker with unerring precision,  
striking him fair in the abdominal region, and  
bringing the speech to rather an abrupt termina-  
tion. The incident created a good deal of excite-  
ment on the platform, but when Butler took the  
fruit in his hand and coolly commenced eating it,  
and looked to his antagonist as though he had  
just been the recipient of a favor instead of an in-  
sult, he brought the house down, and for a mo-  
ment there was a better feeling in the crowd. But  
it was only for a moment. Again the indignation  
of the crowd broke forth in cheers for Hoffman  
and groans for Butler. Five minutes probably  
elapsed during which time General Butler con-  
tinued eating his apple and waiting for an oppor-  
tunity to be heard.

ONCE MORE TO THE BREACH.  
General Butler (straining his voice to the ut-  
most so as to be heard.)—Since I have been stand-  
ing here, I have heard of no one but the copper-  
heads, how many of these fellows (pointing to  
the crowd on the City Hall steps) were in 1864,  
when, instead of having a traitor at the head of  
the government, they had an honest and trans-  
parent, and when they were under the control of  
a magistrate who could control it.

Here there was another outbreak of indignation  
and cries of "Spoons," "Spoons," were heard on  
all sides, winding up with three cheers for Hoff-  
man.

Voice on the platform—Go on, General.  
General Butler—Oh, it is no use. They will tire  
of me, I suppose. I am not a President or a  
Vice-President, but I am not a pauper either. I  
will not be treated as an angry crowd. Cries of  
"Spoons," "Go home," and loud groans still in-  
terrupted the speaker. It was now half-past three  
minutes in continuing to obtain an audience.

THE OPPOSITION OUT OF A MEETING.  
The effort to prevent General Butler from being  
heard was, so far, successful. A soldier company  
positioned individual on the steps of the City Hall  
threw the speaker's hat, and a crowd of men, the  
chief candidate for Congress against Mr. Greeley,  
and for a cut in the tariff, so General Butler  
was compelled to remain silent.

General Butler (in a low voice)—I wish we had a  
few of our men here who were down in the Gulf  
with us, and would clean this crowd out in a  
very few moments.

Bully Wilson.—There are a number of them in  
the meeting, General, but they are powerless  
against such odds.

THE DEATH SHOWS HIS TEETH.  
He then continued his remarks amid the great  
confusion—hissing, yelling and hissing, coincid-  
ing with the following:

Why, you poor fools, I have faced your superiors  
in Baltimore and New Orleans; I have longed for  
better, and if you do not behave yourselves, I  
will get the chance to do the same with you;  
I have seen a great many more than you, with arms  
in their hands, and you want to powder me. I  
suppose I shall finish from out-sinistering break-  
ers. A man who has smelt gunpowder can stand  
the negro? Oh, no; the negro is as immensa-

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bly your superior as heaven is above hell, where  
you will go to. I do not certainly respect you,  
and you may be quite sure I do not fear you.  
Men of Five Points! bullies of the bawdy house!  
I simply declare here, as the voice of this nation,  
that you are not fit for the exercise of the elective  
franchise, and in no better way than this could  
you demonstrate the fact. I do not by any means  
desire to bandy words with an ignorant, foolish,  
excited crowd; and I have only used the few and  
well describing epithets in order that you may un-  
derstand that I neither love nor hate you, and  
that there is an end to patience. No discussion—  
such as should govern reasoning men—would  
profit here. I saw at first that it was not to be  
hoped, and I determined, after waiting in vain for  
the men who might perhaps be but the incidents  
of a crowd to withdraw, that if order could not be  
restored, from that moment I would speak to the  
men as they deserved, and in language which  
they could understand, because familiar to them.  
General Butler then retired. A foolish attempt  
was made to cheer him, but the fact, as I have  
elucidated was speedily drowned in an overwhelming  
burst of hissing, yelling and groaning.

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